

# High order QCD evolution in the Regge limit

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[NNLO BK equation in  $N=4$  SYM]

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Multi-loop corrections at small- $x$ :

**why?**

1. physics case: *not this talk*

2. feasibility: *how hard?*

I hope to convince you that small- $x$  can fit into a more or less standard automation framework.

Plan:

- Evolution equations
- ‘spacelike-timelike’ correspondence
- highlights: why helpful

# small-x evolution equations

Nonlinear  $\longrightarrow$  Linear

B-JIMWLK	BFKL (/BKP)
BK	planar BFKL

colors

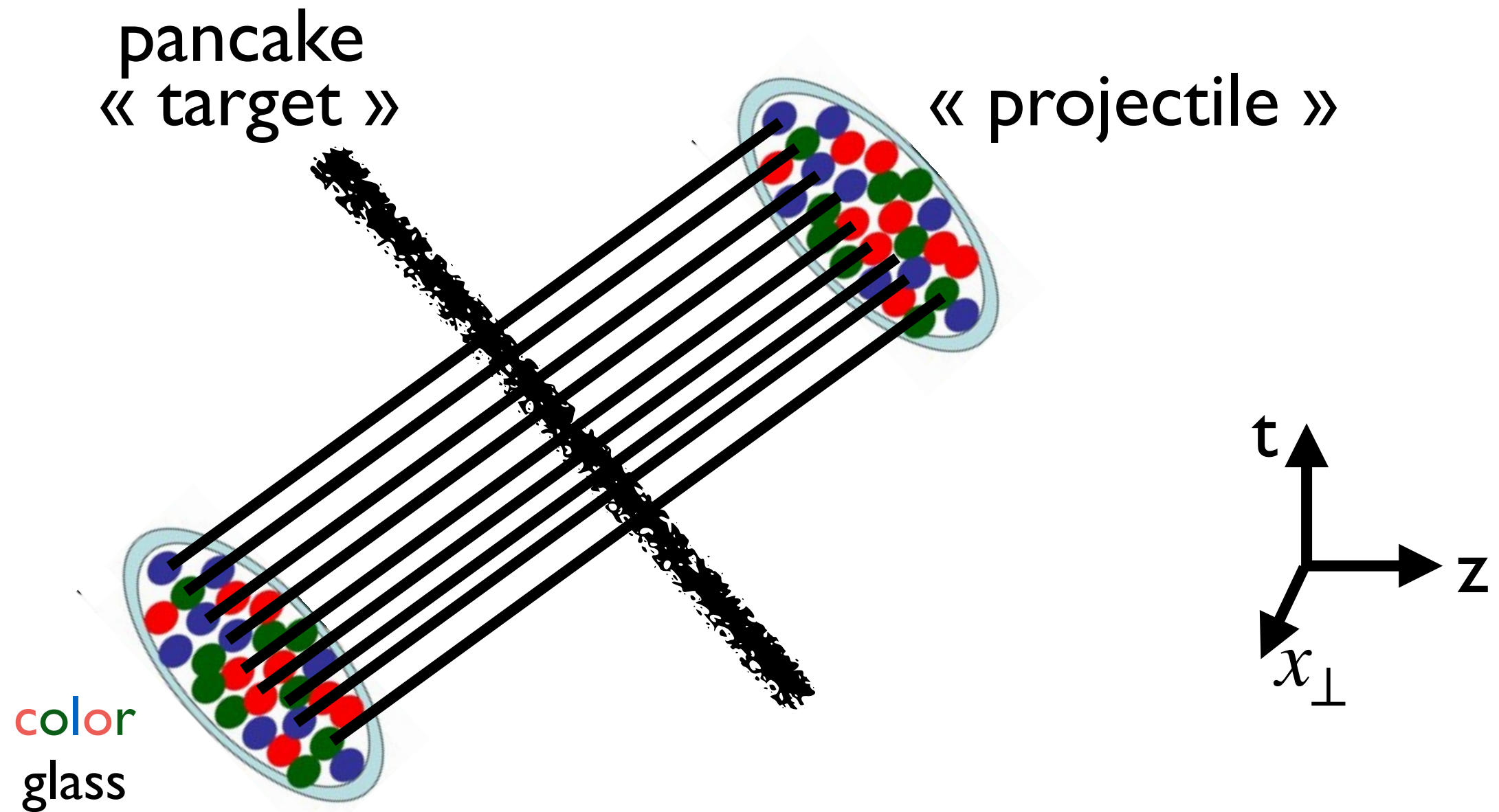


planar  
(large  $N_c$ )

DGLAP

which one to aim for?

# tracking color



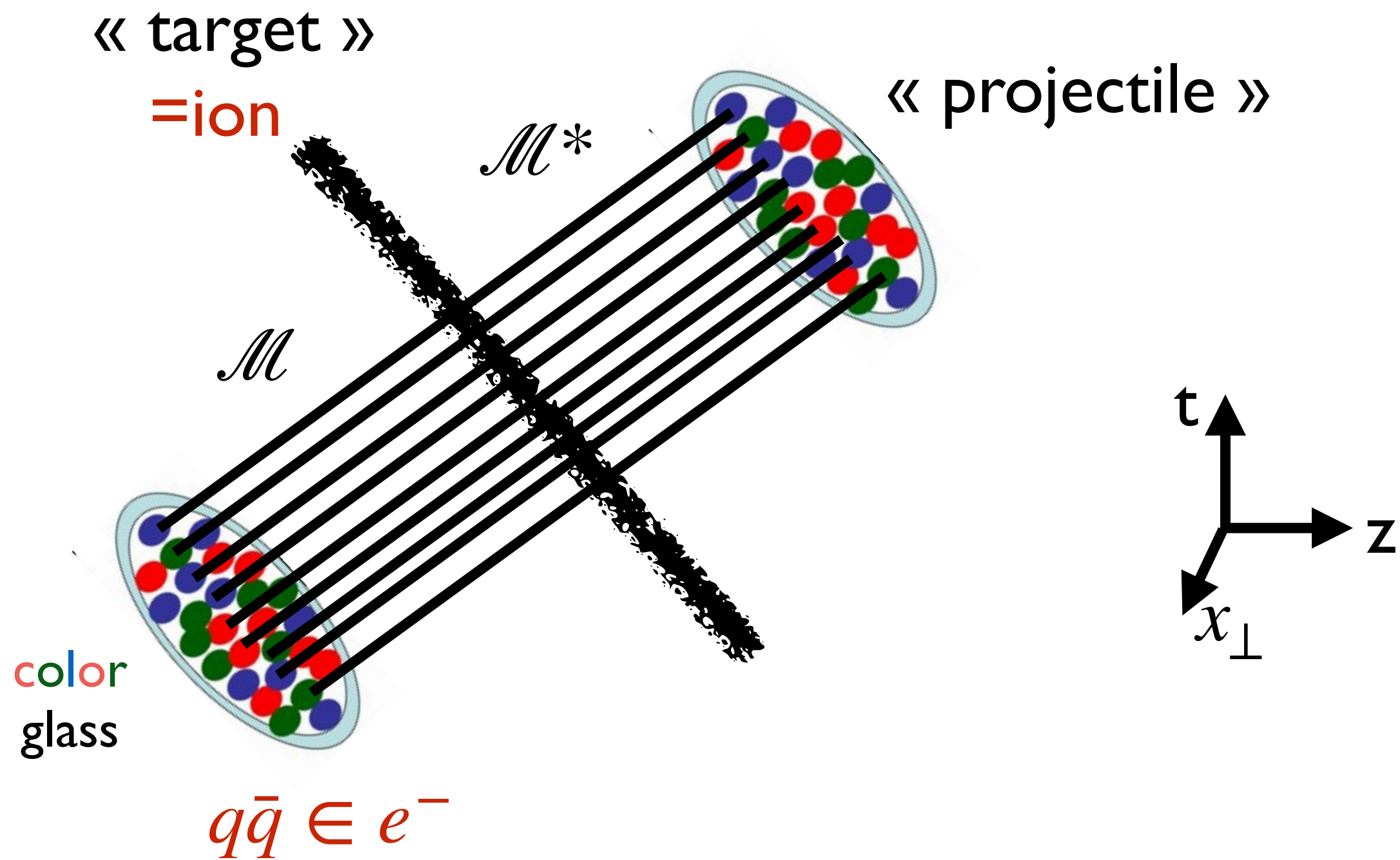
amplitude = product of color rotation for each charge

$$\mathcal{M} \propto \langle U(\mathbf{x}_1) \cdots U(\mathbf{x}_n) \rangle_{\text{target}}$$

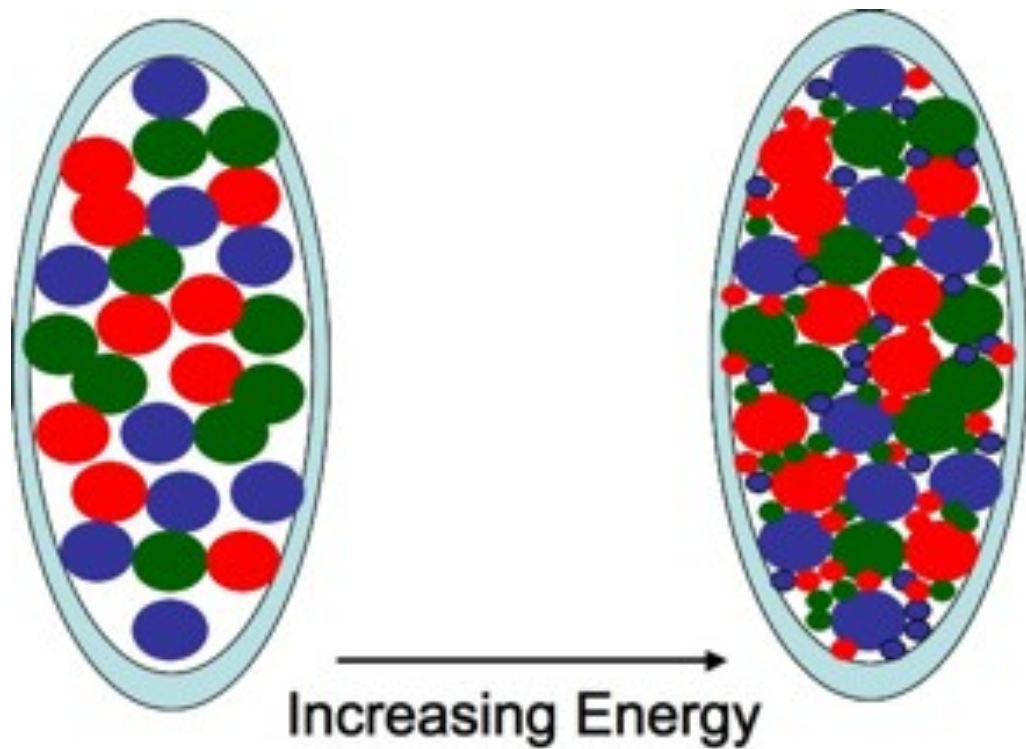
# Comments

a well-defined problem for precision calculation:

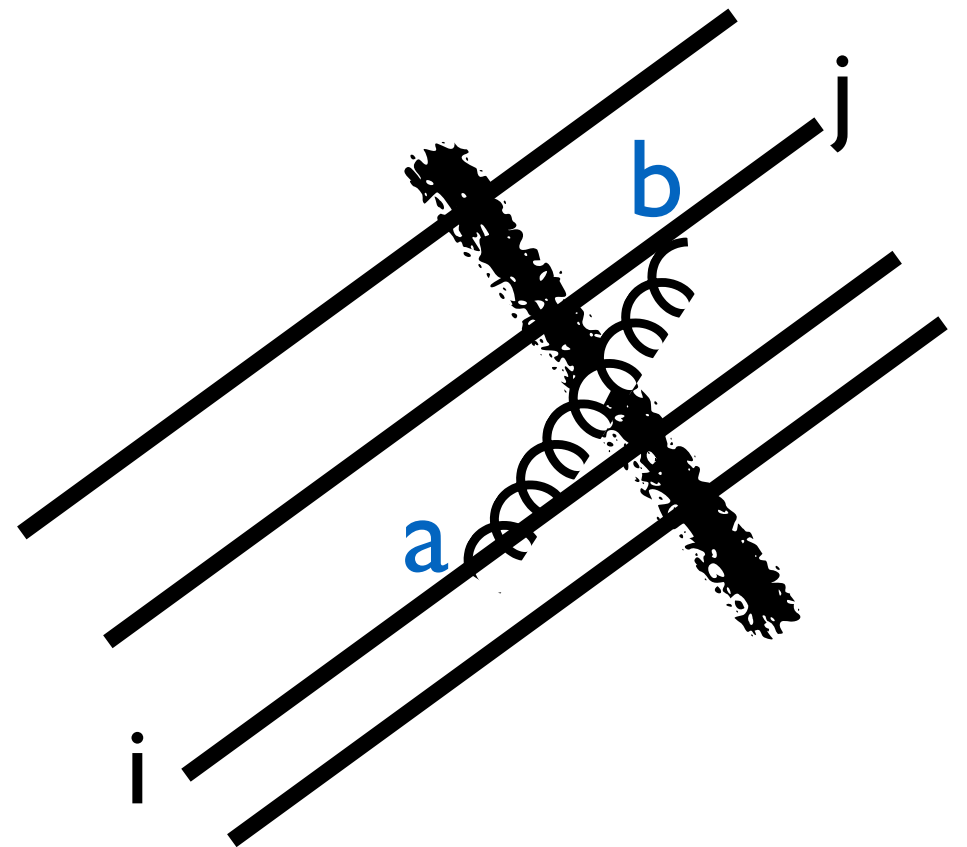
- Target can be strong:  $U=O(1)$
- Projectile weak:  $n \ll \alpha_s^{-1}$  (EIC!)
- inclusive cross-sections  $(H_1 H_2 \rightarrow \text{jet} + X)$  vs  $(pX \rightarrow pX)$  :  
mathematically *similar* [identical?]



# rapidity evolution: B-JIMWLK



[cartoon from McLarren '09]



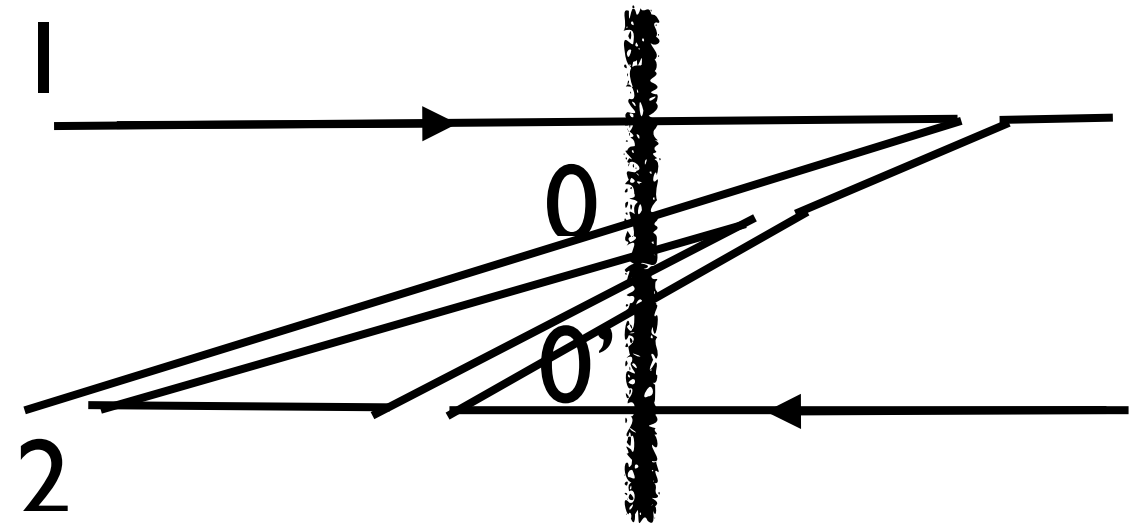
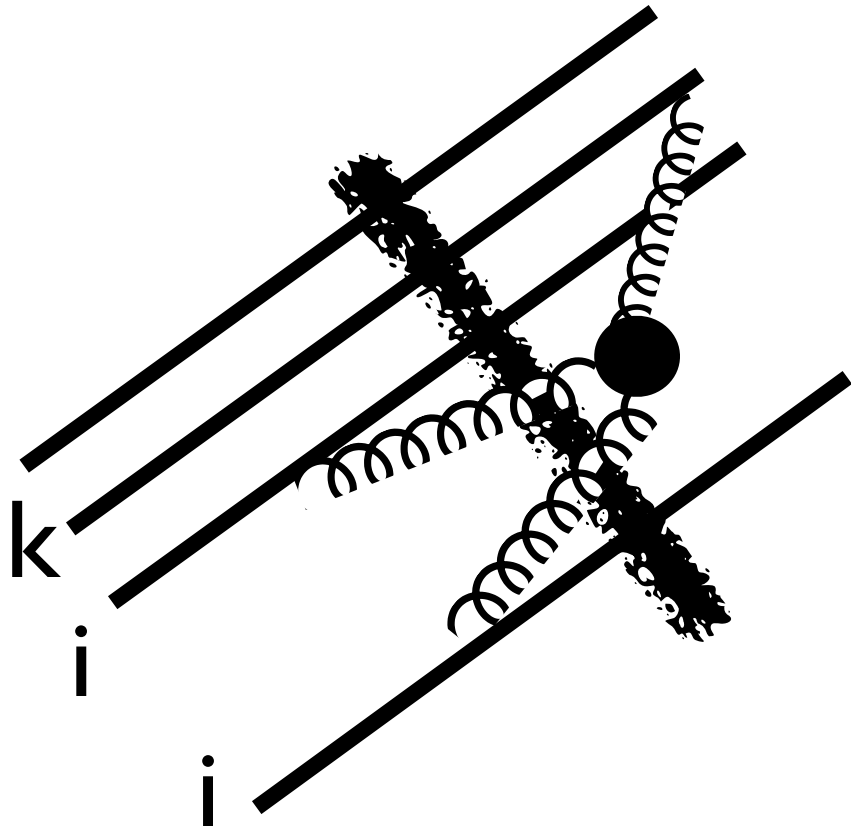
$$\frac{d}{d\eta} U_1 \cdots U_n = \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \int \frac{d^2 z_0 z_{ij}^2}{z_{0i}^2 z_{0j}^2} \left( U_1 \cdots U_n T_i^a T_j^b U_0^{ab} - C_F U_1 \cdots U_n \right) + O(\alpha_s^2)$$

↑ SU(3)<sub>c</sub> generators

# Color

# vs

# planar



$n \rightarrow n+2$  Wilson lines

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} U_1 \cdots U_n \supset \sum_{i,j,k} U_1 \cdots U_n T_i^a T_j^b T_k^c U_0^{aa'} U_{0'}^{bb'} f^{abc}(\dots)$$

dipole  $\rightarrow$  3 dipoles

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} U_{12} \supset U_{10} U_{00'} U_{0'2}$$

NLO: [Kovner,Mulian&Lublinski '14,  
Balitsky&Chirilli '14, SCH '15]

NLO: [Balitsky-Chirilli '07]



# Linearization is **easy**

**Weak target:** expand Wilson lines around identity:

$$U_{ij} \rightarrow 1 + \epsilon \mathcal{U}_{ij}$$

(planar,  
nonlinear)

**BK:**

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} U_{12} = \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 z_0}{\pi} \frac{z_{12}^2}{z_{10}^2 z_{02}^2} (U_{10} U_{02} - U_{12})$$



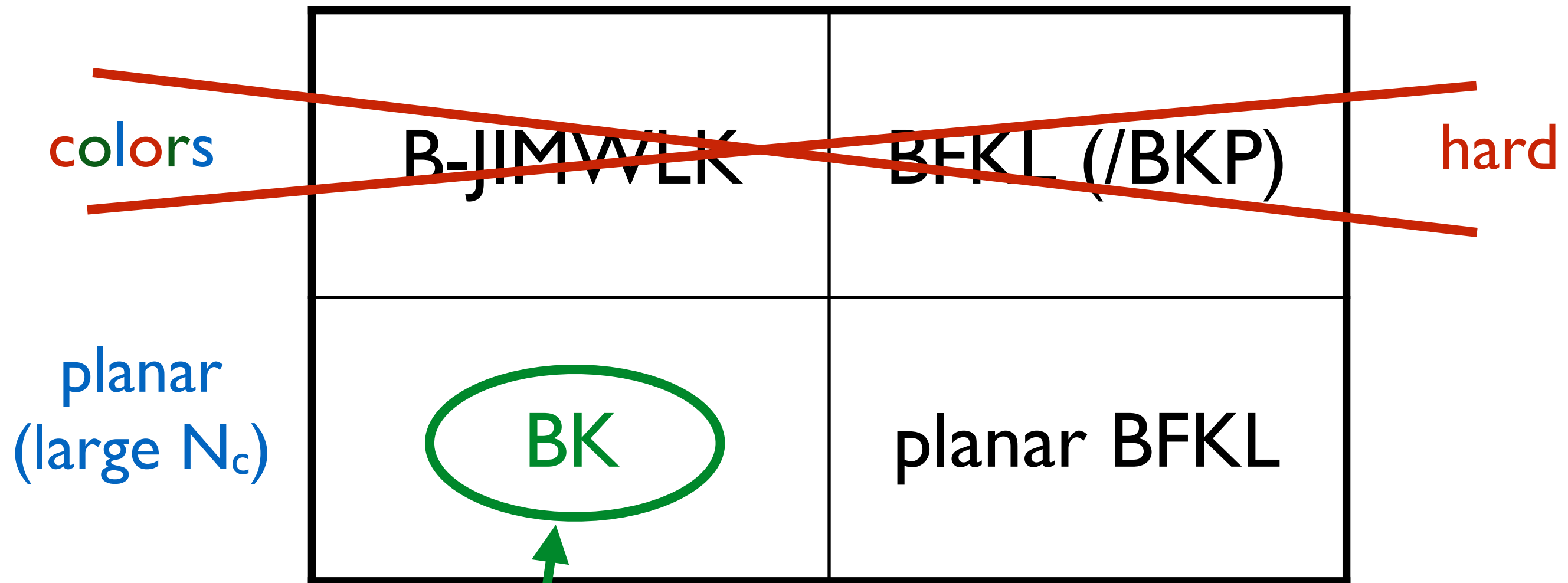
**planar BFKL:**

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \mathcal{U}_{12} = \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 z_0}{\pi} \frac{z_{12}^2}{z_{01}^2 z_{02}^2} (\mathcal{U}_{10} + \mathcal{U}_{02} - \mathcal{U}_{12})$$

(non-planar:  $U(\mathbf{x}) = e^{igT^a W^a(\mathbf{x})}$ ,  $W^a(\mathbf{x}) =$  reggeized gluon)

# small-x evolution equations

Nonlinear  $\xrightarrow{\text{easy}}$  Linear



=our focus in 2016 (NNLO in  $N=4$  SYM)

# Our motivations then:

1. BFKL convergence is slow:  
how to resum large effects

[~'98]  
[Salam;  
Ball,Forte ~'00,...  
Iancu,Mueller et al '14]

2. Multi-loops are standard in many QCD contexts

3. Purely theoretical:

- partonic amplitudes in Regge limit:  
unique insight into scattering at high loops
- generally interesting limit (pomeron  $\rightarrow$  graviton in AdS CFT,...)
- new qualitative features @NNLO(non-planar pomeron loop...)

# Tool: A surprising equivalence

**Rapidity evolution**  
(small  $x$  amplitude)  $\Leftrightarrow$  **Soft evolution**  
(small  $E$  cross-section)

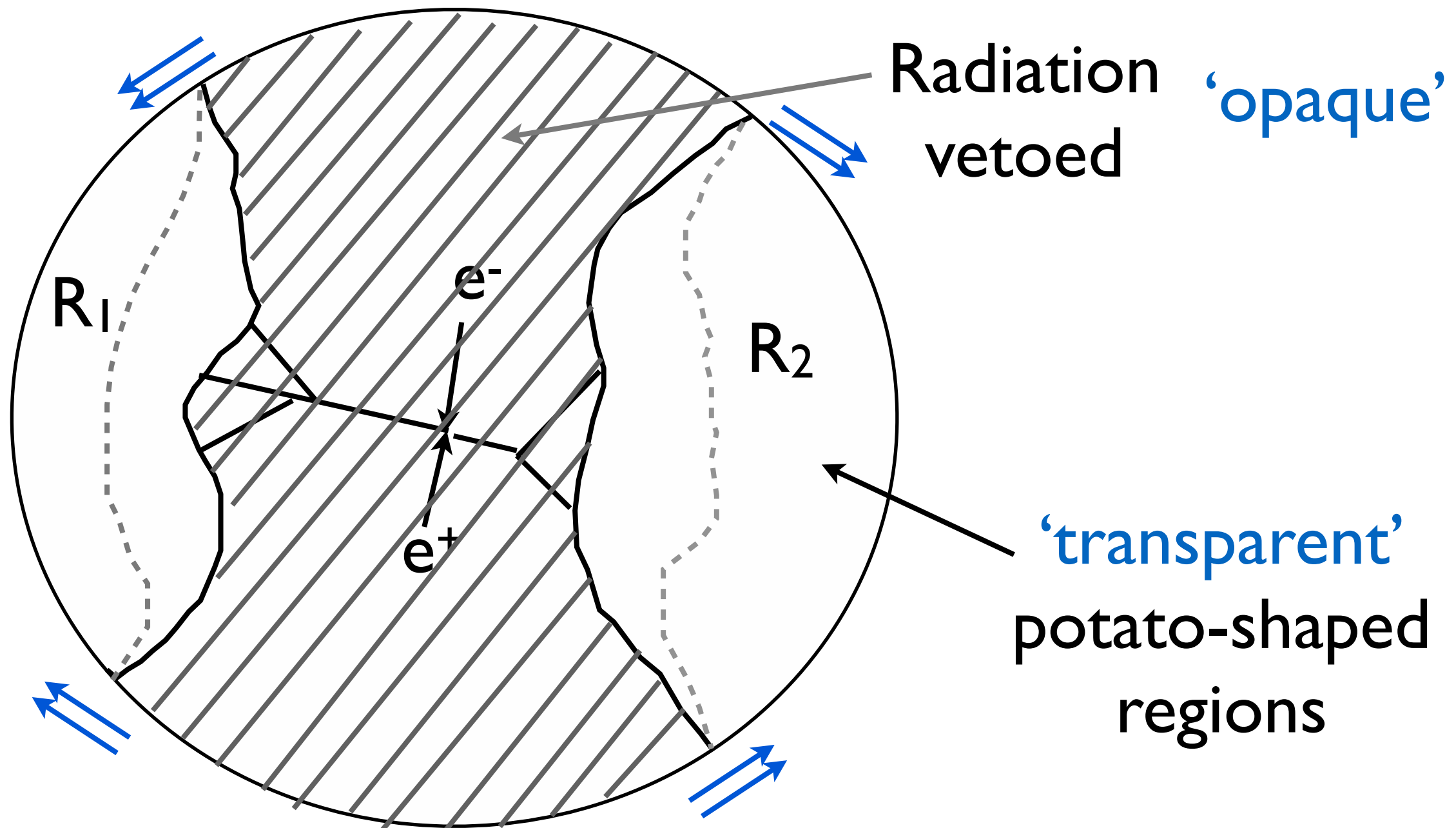
Transparent	Allowed region
Opaque	Vetoed region
Rapidity $Y$	Soft veto
dipoles saturate	veto region grows

[Weigert '03;  
Hatta '08-...,

Hofman& Maldacena '08]

# Non-global logs

Q: Cross-section for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow X$ ,  
less than  $E_0$  energy outside some region  $R$



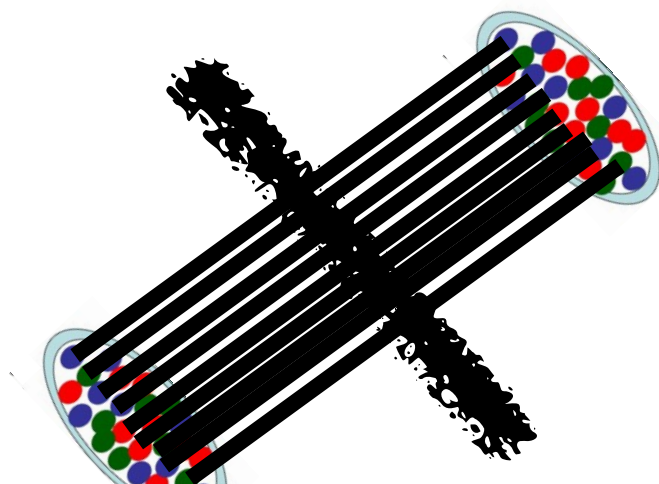
- **Quantitative** equivalence:

**BK:**  $\frac{d}{d\eta} U_{12} = \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 z_0}{\pi} \frac{z_{12}^2}{z_{10}^2 z_{02}^2} (U_{10} U_{02} - U_{12})$  Rapidity evolution

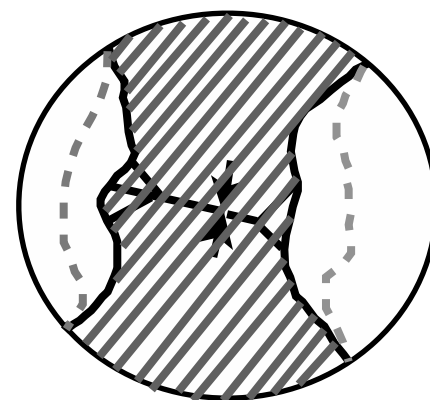
**BMS:**  $E \frac{d}{dE} U_{12} = \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 \Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{\alpha_{12}}{\alpha_{10} \alpha_{02}} (U_{10} U_{02} - U_{12})$  Soft evolution

- Conformal (stereographic) symmetry of pQCD:

$$\alpha_{ij} \equiv \frac{1 - \cos \theta_{ij}}{2} \rightarrow z_{ij}^2 \equiv (z_i - z_j)^2, \quad \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} \rightarrow \frac{d^2 z}{\pi}$$



$$x^+ \leftrightarrow 1/x^+$$

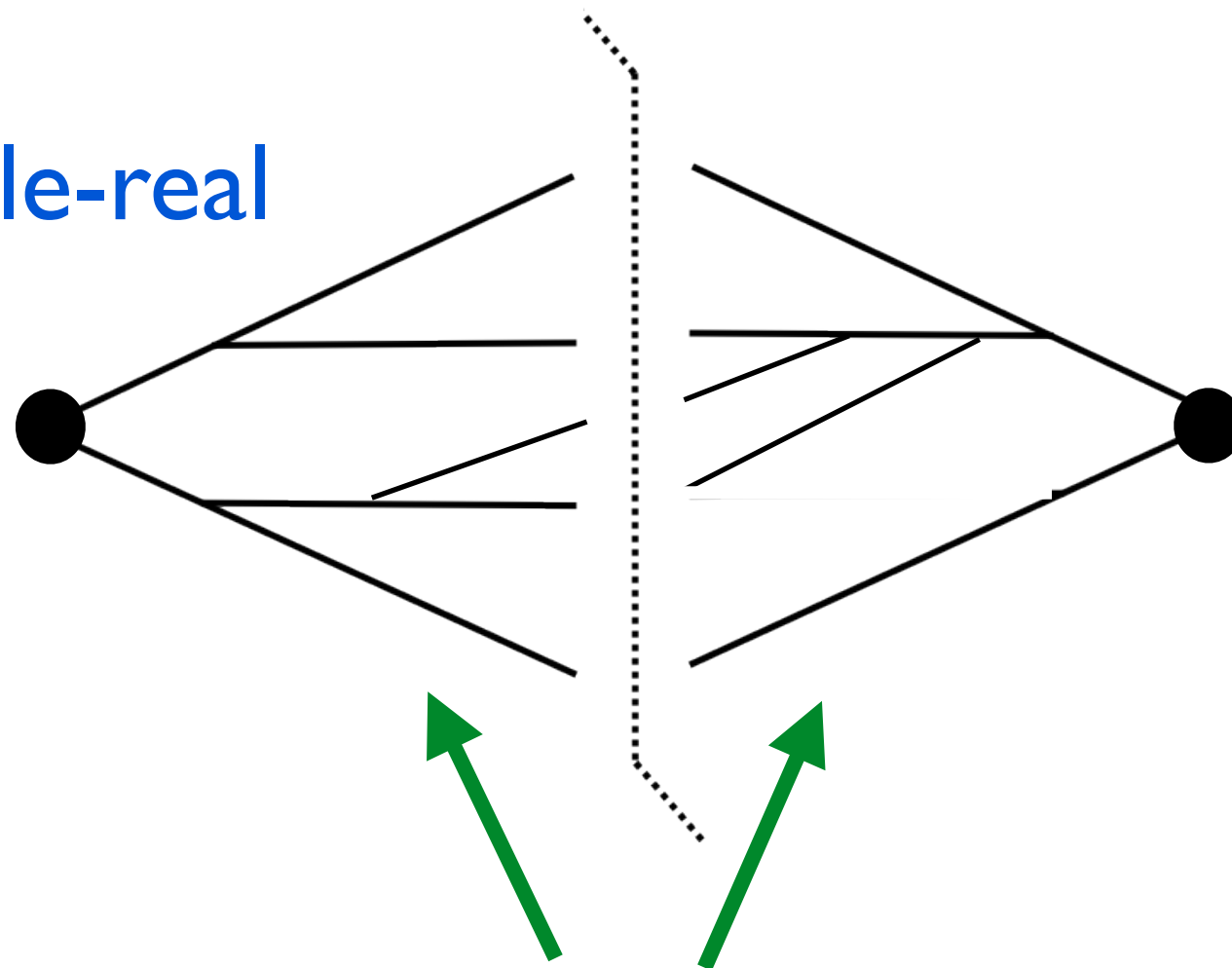


[Weigert '03;  
Hatta '08-...,  
Hofman& Maldacena '08]

why is it useful?

break 3-loop calculation into physical building blocks!!

ex: triple-real



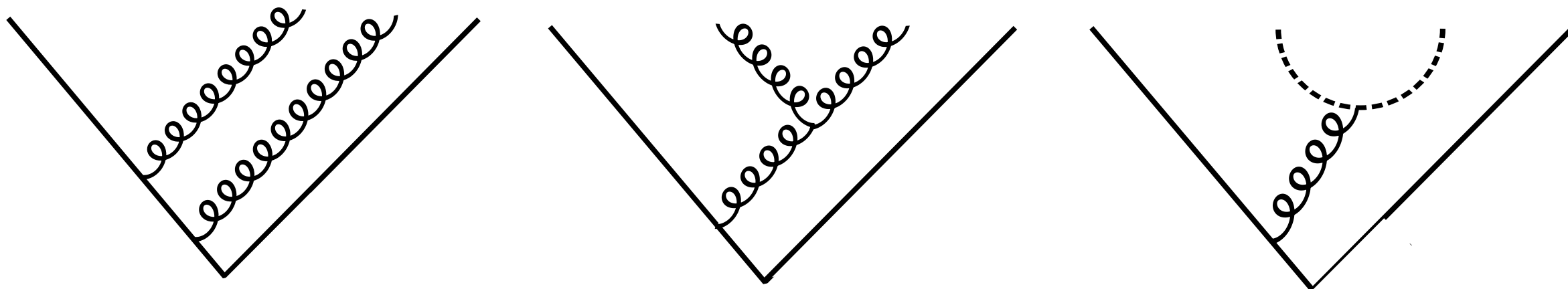
(2 hard partons  
+ 3 soft gluons)



on-shell trees

According to [Mueller 1804.07249]:  
correspondence diagram by diagram! → running couplings

let's describe NLO in detail:



[Catani&Grazzini '99]

Square of tree-level soft current relatively simple:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\mathcal{S}|^2 = & \frac{s_{12}}{s_{10}s_{00'}s_{0'2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{s_{12}s_{00'} + s_{10}s_{0'2} - s_{10'}s_{20}}{2(s_{10}+s_{10'})(s_{02}+s_{0'2})} \right] \leftarrow \text{N=4SYM} \\
 & + (n_F - 4) \frac{s_{12}}{s_{00'}(s_{10}+s_{10'})(s_{20}+s_{20'})} \\
 & + (2 + n_s - 2n_F) \frac{(s_{10}s_{20'} - s_{10'}s_{20})^2}{2s_{00'}^2(s_{10}+s_{10'})^2(s_{20}+s_{20'})^2} \leftarrow \text{general gauge theory}
 \end{aligned}$$

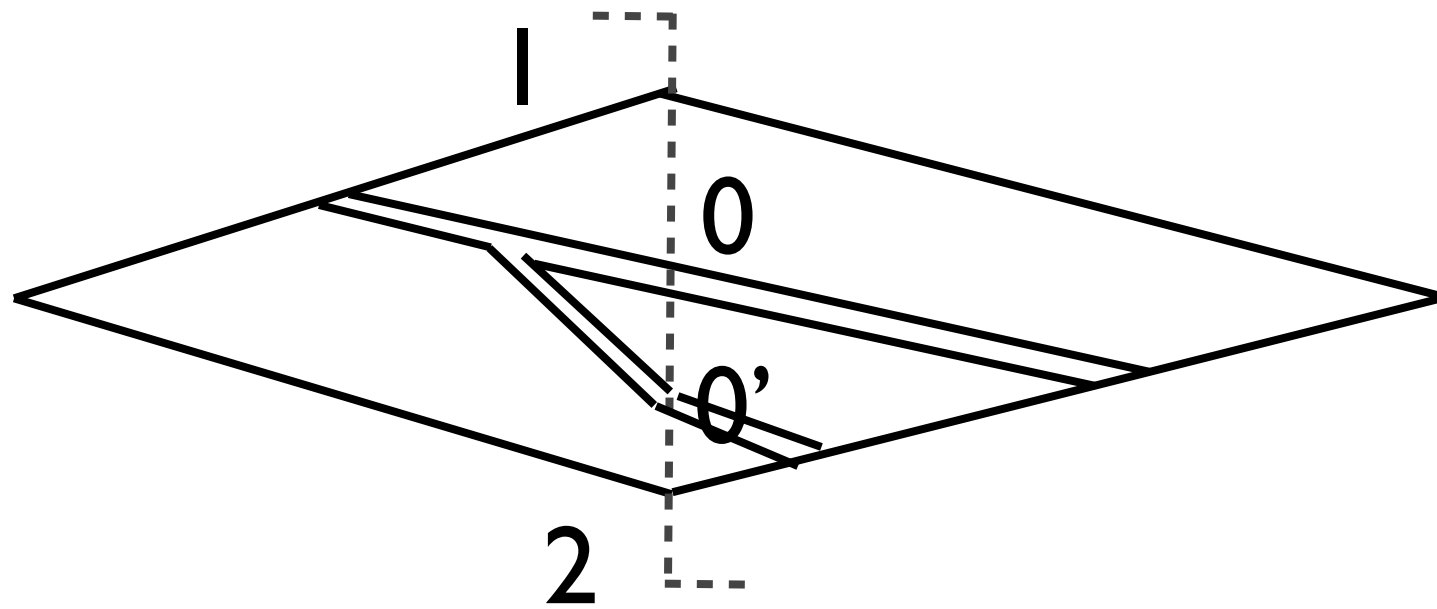
[SCH, '15]



- Crucial step: subtract **subdivergences**
- Two soft gluons  $\neq$  [one soft]<sup>2</sup>

$$|\mathcal{S}|^2 = \frac{s_{12}}{s_{10}s_{00'}s_{0'2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{s_{12}s_{00'} + s_{10}s_{0'2} - s_{10'}s_{20}}{2(s_{10} + s_{10'})(s_{02} + s_{0'2})} \right]$$

- Amplitude depends on **ratio** of soft energies
- NLO BK  $\sim$  the integral over that ratio

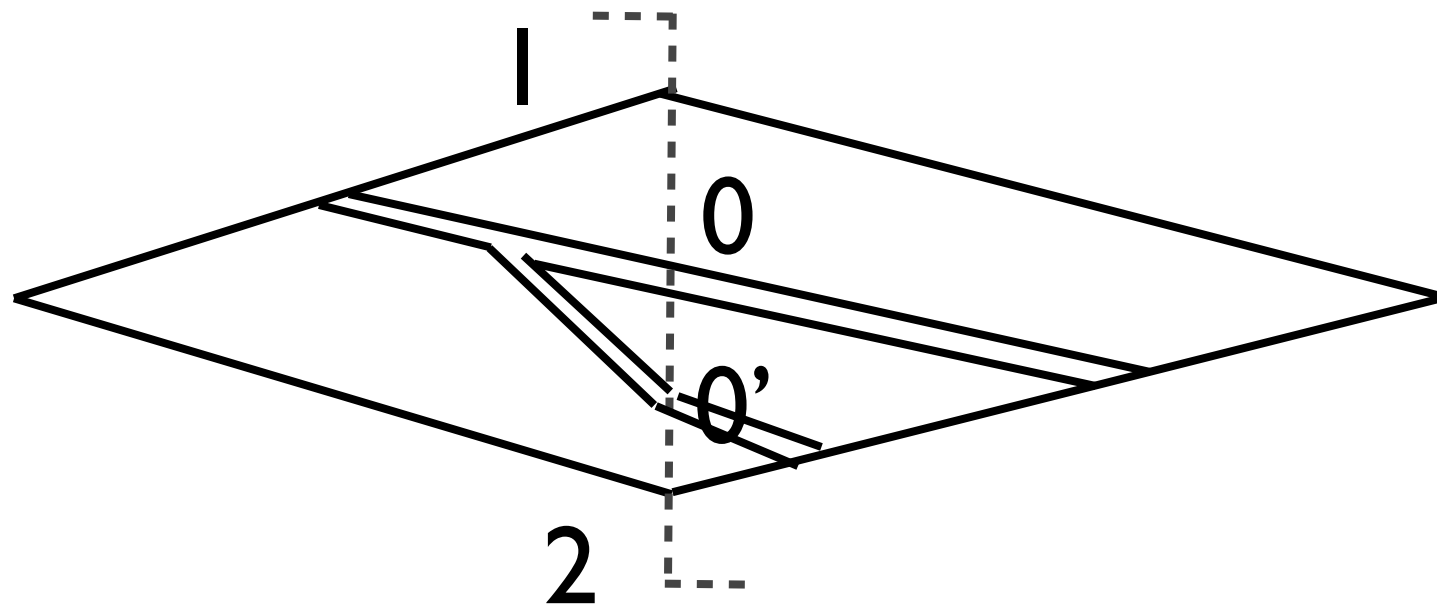


0. Pull out angular/transverse integrals:

$$E \frac{d}{dE} U_{12} \supset \int \frac{d^2 \Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{d^2 \Omega_{0'}}{4\pi} K_{[1 \ 00' \ 2]} U_{10} U_{00'} U_{0'2}$$

I. Integrate over relative energies:

$$K_{[1 \ 00' \ 2]} = \int_0^\infty \tau d\tau \left[ |\mathcal{S}(\tau \beta_0, \beta_{0'})|^2 \right]$$



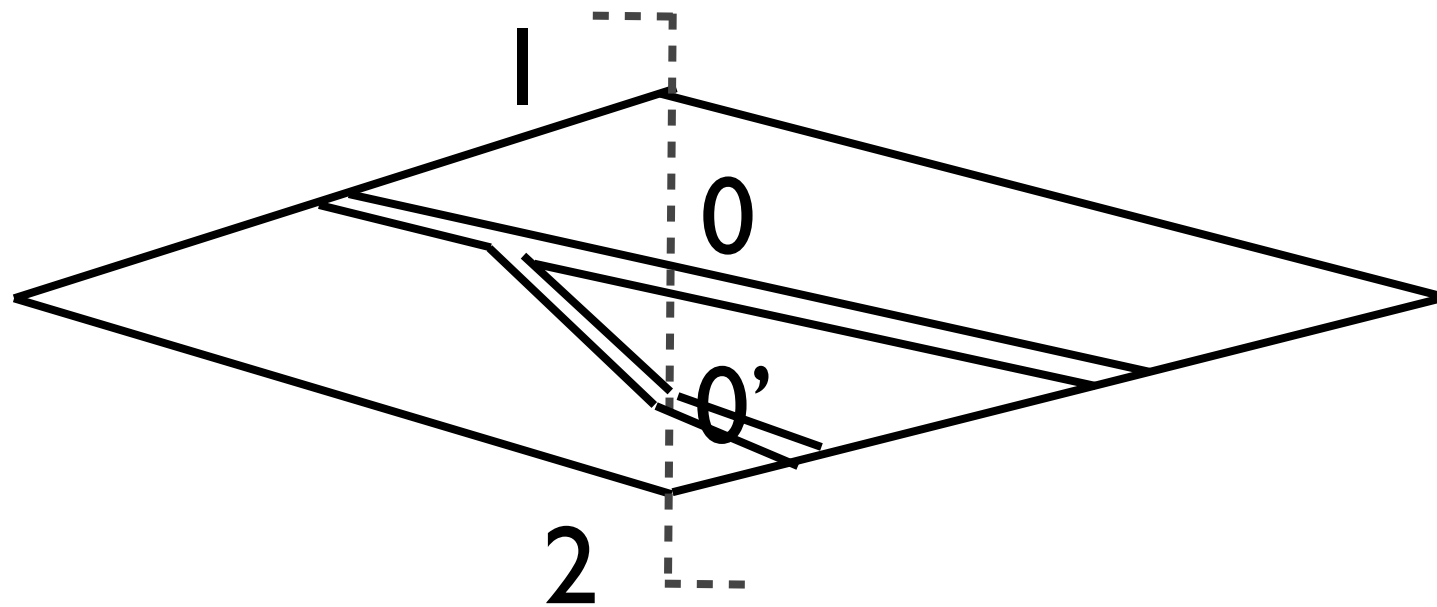
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Subtract iterations of LO



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Best: order w/Lorentz-invariant trans. mom  $Q_{[i0j]}^2 \equiv \frac{s_{i0}s_{0j}}{s_{ij}}$

- That's basically it! NLO (planar) evolution:

$$K^{(2)}U_{12} = \int_{\beta_0, \beta_{0'}} \frac{\alpha_{12}}{\alpha_{10}\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0'2}} K_{[1\ 00'\ 2]}^{(2)} (U_{10}U_{02} + U_{10'}U_{0'2} - 2U_{10}U_{00'}U_{0'2}) + \gamma_K^{(2)} K^{(1)}U_{12}$$

$$K_{[1\ 00'\ 2]}^{(2)} = 2 \log \frac{\alpha_{12}\alpha_{00'}}{\alpha_{10'}\alpha_{02}} + \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_{12}\alpha_{00'}}{\alpha_{10}\alpha_{0'2} - \alpha_{10'}\alpha_{02}} \right) \log \frac{\alpha_{10}\alpha_{0'2}}{\alpha_{10'}\alpha_{02}}$$



- **Precisely** Balitsky&Chirilli's (N=4) result!!!

[Balitsky&Chirilli '07,'08]

- Eigenvalues match 'Pomeron trajectory'

[Fadin&Lipatov(&Kotikov) '98;  
Ciafaloni&Gamici '98]

# simple hard-earned lessons

- use covariant cutoffs:

$$Q_{[102]}^2 = \frac{p_1 \cdot p_0 \, p_0 \cdot p_2}{p_1 \cdot p_2} \quad \begin{array}{l} < \mu^2 = \text{soft} \\ > \mu^2 = \text{hard} \end{array} \quad Q_{[100'2]}^2 = \left( \frac{p_1 \cdot p_0 \, p_0 \cdot p_{0'} p_{0'} \cdot p_2}{p_1 \cdot p_2} \right)^{1/2}$$

(for BK: land automatically on ‘conformal dipoles’)

- exploit real-virtual cancellations

$$\left( \underbrace{U_{10}U_{02}}_{\text{single-real}} + \underbrace{U_{10'}U_{0'2}}_{\text{double-real}} - 2U_{10}U_{00'}U_{0'2} \right)$$

- fun combinatorics: subtractions @ 3-loops

$$F_{[1\ 0\ 2]}^{\text{sub}} \equiv F_{[1\ 0\ 2]} = 1, \quad (4.20a)$$

$$F_{[1\ 00'\ 2]}^{\text{sub}} \equiv F_{[1\ 00'\ 2]} - [1\ 0\ 0'] [1\ 0'\ 2] - [0\ 0'\ 2] [1\ 0\ 2], \quad (4.20b)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{[1\ 00'\ 0''\ 2]}^{\text{sub}} \equiv & F_{[1\ 00'\ 0''\ 2]} - [1\ 0\ 0'] [1\ 0'\ 0''\ 2] - [0\ 0'\ 0''] [1\ 00''\ 2] - [0'\ 0''\ 2] [1\ 00'\ 2] \\ & - [1\ 00'\ 0''] [1\ 0''\ 2] - [0\ 0'\ 0''\ 2] [1\ 0\ 2] \\ & - [1\ 0\ 0'] [1\ 0'\ 0''] [1\ 0''\ 2] - [0'\ 0''\ 2] [0\ 0'\ 2] [1\ 0\ 2] - [0\ 0'\ 0''] [1\ 0\ 0''] [1\ 0''\ 2] \\ & - [0\ 0'\ 0''] [0\ 0''\ 2] [1\ 0\ 2] - [1\ 0\ 0'] [0'\ 0''\ 2] [1\ 0'\ 2] - [0'\ 0''\ 2] [1\ 0\ 0'] [1\ 0'\ 2]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.20c)$$

energy step functions

- Cleanly removes iterations of lower-loop evolution ✓
- left with convergent energy integrals!

# NNLO

[Herranen+SCH, '16]

- **Triple real** at tree-level  
⇒ extract from **known** 4-particle integrand ✓
- **Double real** at one-loop  
⇒ extract from **known** one-loop 6-point ✓ [~'94]
- **Single real** at two-loops  
⇒ **not needed**: contribution really just  $\gamma_K^{(3)}$  ✓
- **Fully virtual** IR divergences at three-loops  
⇒ **not needed**: KLN fixes from rest ✓



Schematic result:

explicit transverse functions



$$\begin{aligned} K^{(3)}U_{12} = & \frac{11\pi^4}{45}K^{(1)}U_{12} + \int_{\beta_0, \beta_{0'}} \frac{\alpha_{12}}{\alpha_{10}\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0'2}} K^{(3)}_{[1 00' 2]} (U_{10}U_{02} + U_{10'}U_{0'2} - 2U_{10}U_{00'}U_{0'2}) \\ & + \int_{\beta_0, \beta_{0'}, \beta_{0''}} \frac{\alpha_{12}}{\alpha_{10}\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0'0''}\alpha_{0''2}} \left[ K^{(3)}_{[1 00'0'' 2]} (2U_{10'}U_{0'2} - 2U_{10}U_{00'}U_{0'0''}U_{0''2}) \right. \\ & \left. - (1 + P) \left( K^{(3)c.t.}_{[1 00'0'' 2]} (2U_{10'}U_{0'2} - 2U_{10}U_{00'}U_{0'2}) \right) \right], (4.34c) \end{aligned}$$

(Planar) **QCD**: expect different functions, similar structure

the supersymmetric result could be independently tested

# Tests

- Collinear limit  $\nu \rightarrow \pm i$  controlled by small- $x$  limit of DGLAP

[Jaroscewicz '83;  
Ball, Falgari, Forte, Marzani... 07]  
[Velizhanin '15]

$$\omega^{(3)} \rightarrow +g^6 \left( \frac{1024}{\gamma^5} - \frac{512}{\gamma^3} \zeta_2 + \frac{576}{\gamma^2} \zeta_3 - \frac{464}{\gamma} \zeta_4 + 840 \zeta_5 + 64 \zeta_2 \zeta_3 + \gamma \left( -40 \zeta_3^2 - 373 \zeta_6 \right) + \gamma^2 \left( -8 \zeta_2 \zeta_5 - 86 \zeta_3 \zeta_4 + \frac{1001}{4} \zeta_7 \right) \right). \quad (21)$$



- Analytic expression for  $m=0$  conjectured using Integrability of planar  $N=4$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F_{0,\nu}^{(3)}}{32} = & -S_5 + 2S_{-4,1} - S_{-3,2} + 2S_{-2,3} - S_{2,-3} - 2S_{3,-2} + 4S_{-3,1,1} + 4S_{1,-3,1} + 2S_{1,-2,2} \\ & + 2S_{1,2,-2} + 2S_{2,1,-2} - 8S_{1,-2,1,1} + \zeta_2 (S_1 S_2 - 3S_{-3} + 2S_{-2,1} - 4S_{1,-2}) - \frac{49}{2} \zeta_4 S_1 \\ & + 7\zeta_3 (2S_{1,-1} + 2(S_1 - S_{-1}) \log 2 - S_{-2} - \log^2 2) + (8\zeta_{-3,1} - 17\zeta_4) (S_{-1} - S_1 + \log 2) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \zeta_3 S_2 + 4\zeta_5 - 6\zeta_2 \zeta_3 + 8\zeta_{-3,1,1}. \end{aligned} \quad (C.3)$$

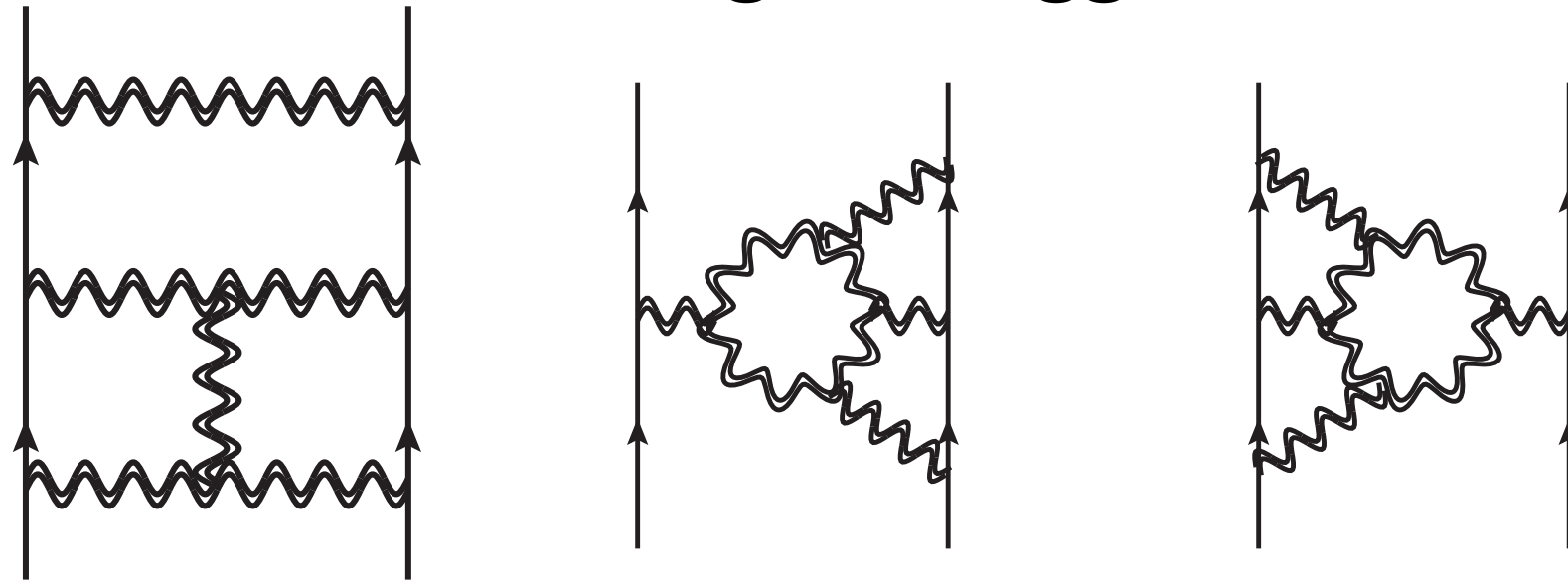


[new results for  $m>0$ ]

- Lots of Regge know-how in perturbative scattering amplitude community

[Bartels, Chachamis, Del Duca, Dixon, Drummond, Duhr, Dulat, Gardi, Henn, Magnea, Mistlberger, Sabio-Vera, Vernazza, ... + many others, even in this room!]

- ex: parton scattering in Regge limit at high loops:



[SCH, Gardi, Reichel, Vernazza '17-'20...]

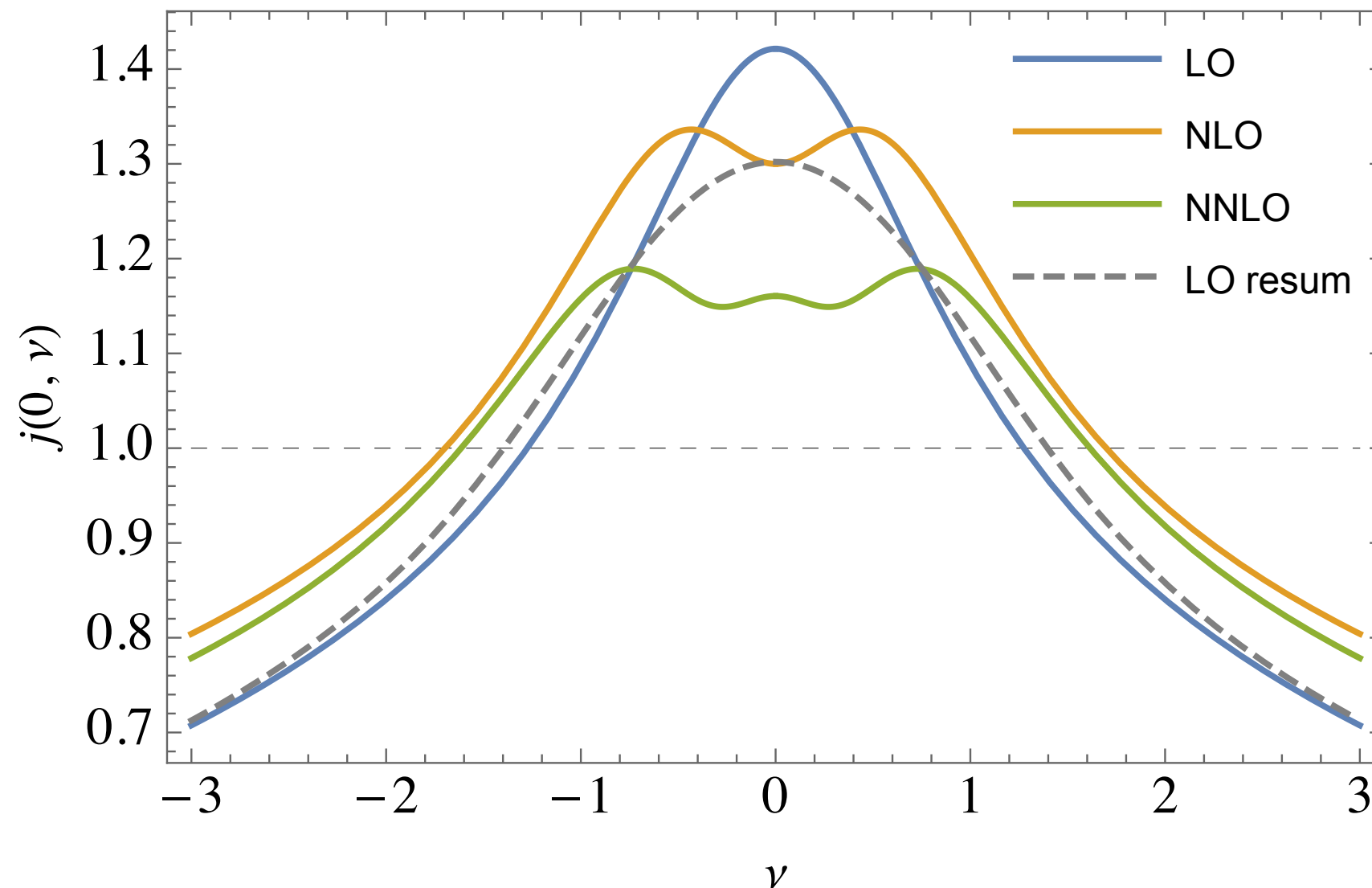
# Conclusions

spacelike-timelike correspondence:

small- $x$  pQCD  $\simeq$  solved/automated cross-section calculations

Lots of computable objects:

- Evolution of color charges
- of TMDs?
- N(N)LO impact factors:  $e^- \simeq \text{virtual } q\bar{q} + \dots$
- jets, ...
- resummation? how low  $Q^2$  can pQCD handle?



- Pomeron trajectory = linearized eigenvalue

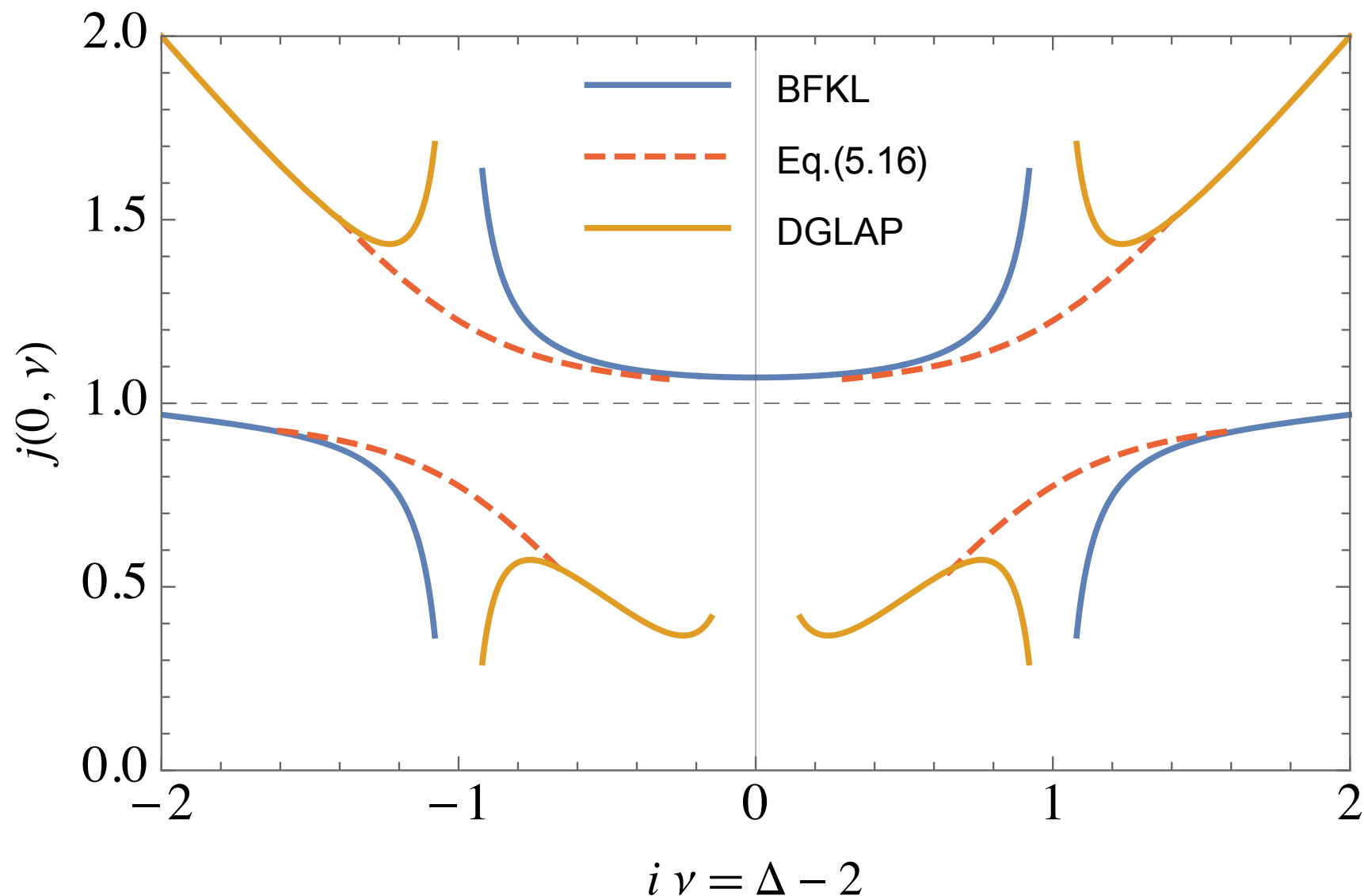
$$U_{ij} = 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} \mathcal{U}_{ij}$$

for eigenfunction:  $\mathcal{U}_{m,\nu} = |z_i - z_j|^{i\nu} e^{im \arg(z_i - z_j)}$

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \mathcal{U}_{m,\nu} = [j(m, \nu) - 1] \mathcal{U}_{m,\nu} \quad (\Delta = 2 + i\nu)$$

[see Brower, Polchinski, Strassler & Tan]

[more on DGLAP vs BFKL: use *dimensions* instead of  $\gamma$ ]



**Figure 6.** Level repulsion between the Pomeron and DGLAP trajectories for  $m = 0$  as a function of scaling dimension, illustrating the  $\nu = \pm i$  singularities. (LO expressions plotted with  $\lambda = g_{\text{YM}}^2 N_c = 1$ .)

$$j \approx 1 + \frac{\Delta - 3 \pm \sqrt{(\Delta - 3)^2 + 32g^2}}{2}, \quad \Delta = 2 + i\nu. \quad (5.16)$$

[for polarized PDFs: level crossing is at  $\nu=0$ ] Bartels, Ermolaev&Ryskin '96]  
[cf Sievert & Kovchegov's talks]

# A slide from Ian Balitsky's talk (@Edinburgh '18?):

## NLO evolution of composite “conformal” dipoles in QCD

I. B. and G. Chirilli

$$\begin{aligned}
 a \frac{d}{da} [\text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_2}^\dagger\}]_a^{\text{comp}} &= \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi^2} \int d^2 z_3 \left( [\text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_3}^\dagger\} \text{tr}\{U_{z_3} U_{z_2}^\dagger\} - N_c \text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_2}^\dagger\}]_a^{\text{comp}} \right. \\
 &\times \frac{z_{12}^2}{z_{13}^2 z_{23}^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s N_c}{4\pi} \left( b \ln z_{12}^2 \mu^2 + b \frac{z_{13}^2 - z_{23}^2}{z_{13}^2 z_{23}^2} \ln \frac{z_{13}^2}{z_{23}^2} + \frac{67}{9} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 z_4}{z_{34}^4} \left\{ \left[ -2 + \frac{z_{23}^2 z_{23}^2 + z_{24}^2 z_{13}^2 - 4z_{12}^2 z_{34}^2}{2(z_{23}^2 z_{23}^2 - z_{24}^2 z_{13}^2)} \ln \frac{z_{23}^2 z_{23}^2}{z_{24}^2 z_{13}^2} \right] \right. \\
 &\times [\text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_3}^\dagger\} \text{tr}\{U_{z_3} U_{z_4}^\dagger\} \{U_{z_4} U_{z_2}^\dagger\} - \text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_3}^\dagger U_{z_4} U_{z_2}^\dagger U_{z_3} U_{z_4}^\dagger\} - (z_4 \rightarrow z_3)] \\
 &+ \frac{z_{12}^2 z_{34}^2}{z_{13}^2 z_{24}^2} \left[ 2 \ln \frac{z_{12}^2 z_{34}^2}{z_{23}^2 z_{23}^2} + \left( 1 + \frac{z_{12}^2 z_{34}^2}{z_{13}^2 z_{24}^2 - z_{23}^2 z_{23}^2} \right) \ln \frac{z_{13}^2 z_{24}^2}{z_{23}^2 z_{23}^2} \right] \\
 &\times [\text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_3}^\dagger\} \text{tr}\{U_{z_3} U_{z_4}^\dagger\} \text{tr}\{U_{z_4} U_{z_2}^\dagger\} - \text{tr}\{U_{z_1} U_{z_4}^\dagger U_{z_3} U_{z_2}^\dagger U_{z_4} U_{z_3}^\dagger\} - (z_4 \rightarrow z_3)] \left. \right\} \\
 &\quad b = \frac{11}{3} N_c - \frac{2}{3} n_f
 \end{aligned}$$

=O(eps) term  
in LO BK

QCD NGL'

N=4

$K_{\text{NLO BK}}$  = Running coupling part + Conformal "non-analytic" (in j) part  
+ Conformal analytic ( $\mathcal{N} = 4$ ) part

Linearized  $K_{\text{NLO BK}}$  reproduces the known result for the forward NLO BFKL kernel.

# Wait. QCD is not conformal!

- QCD non-global logs in the same way
- Regge and Soft kernels don't **quite** agree:

$$K_{Regge} - K_{Soft} = (11C_A - 4n_F T_F - n_S T_S) \int \left( \frac{z_{ij}^2}{z_{0i}^2 z_{0j}^2} \log(\mu^2 z_{ij}^2) + \frac{z_{0j}^2 - z_{0i}^2}{z_{0i}^2 z_{0j}^2} \log \frac{z_{0i}^2}{z_{0j}^2} \right)$$

- diff prop to  $\beta$  = conformal breaking, **as expected!**  
 $\Rightarrow$  difference computable from matter loops!



# Rapidity vs Soft divergences

- Work in  $d=4-2\varepsilon$  dimensions:

$K_{Soft}$  does not depend on  $\varepsilon$

$K_{Regge}(\epsilon)$  **does**

- In the **conformal dimension**, they are equal!

$$K_{Regge}(\mathbf{2\epsilon = -\beta(\alpha_s)}) = K_{soft}$$

- Given the  $\varepsilon$ -dependence at lower loops, they **are** equivalent to each other!!!

[Vladimirov '16]

- Full non-planar NLO result also available (N=4&QCD)

$$\begin{aligned}
K^{(2)} = & \int_{i,j,k} \int \frac{d^2\Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{d^2\Omega_{0'}}{4\pi} K_{ijk;00'}^{(2)\ell} i f^{abc} \left( L_{i;0}^a L_{j;0'}^b R_k^c - R_{i;0}^a R_{j;0'}^b L_k^c \right) \\
& + \int_{i,j} \int \frac{d^2\Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{d^2\Omega_{0'}}{4\pi} K_{ij;00'}^{(2)N=4,\ell} \left( f^{abc} f^{a'b'c'} U_0^{bb'} U_{0'}^{cc'} - \frac{C_A}{2} (U_0^{aa'} + U_{0'}^{aa'}) \right) (L_i^a R_j^{a'} + R_i^{a'} L_j^a) \\
& + \int_{i,j} \int \frac{d^2\Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{\alpha_{ij}}{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0j}} \gamma_K^{(2)} (R_{i;0}^a L_j^a + L_{i;0}^a R_j^a) + K^{(2)N \neq 4}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.32}$$

known

$$L_{i;0}^a \equiv (L_i^{a'} U_0^{a'a} - R_i^a)$$

[SCH '15]

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j} K_{ijk;00'}^{(2)\ell} = & \frac{\alpha_{ij}}{\alpha_{00'}} \log \frac{\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0'j}\alpha_{0k}^2}{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0j}\alpha_{0'k}^2} + \frac{\alpha_{ik}\alpha_{jk}}{\alpha_{0k}\alpha_{0'k}} \log \frac{\alpha_{ik}\alpha_{0'j}\alpha_{0k}}{\alpha_{jk}\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'k}} + \frac{\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{jk}}{\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0'k}} \log \frac{\alpha_{jk}\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0'k}}{\alpha_{0k}^2\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0'j}} \\
& - \frac{\alpha_{ik}\alpha_{0j}}{\alpha_{0k}\alpha_{00'}} \log \frac{\alpha_{ik}\alpha_{0'j}\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0k}}{\alpha_{0'k}^2\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0j}} + \frac{\alpha_{ik}\alpha_{0'j}}{\alpha_{0'k}\alpha_{00'}} \log \frac{\alpha_{ik}\alpha_{00'}}{\alpha_{0k}\alpha_{0'i}} - \frac{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{jk}}{\alpha_{0k}\alpha_{00'}} \log \frac{\alpha_{jk}\alpha_{00'}}{\alpha_{0'k}\alpha_{0j}} \\
K_{ij;00'}^{(2)N=4,\ell} = & \frac{\alpha_{ij}}{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{00'}\alpha_{0'j}} \left( 2 \log \frac{\alpha_{ij}\alpha_{00'}}{\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}} + \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_{ij}\alpha_{00'}}{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j} - \alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}} \right] \log \frac{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j}}{\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

Precisely the same as NLO B-JIMWLK result

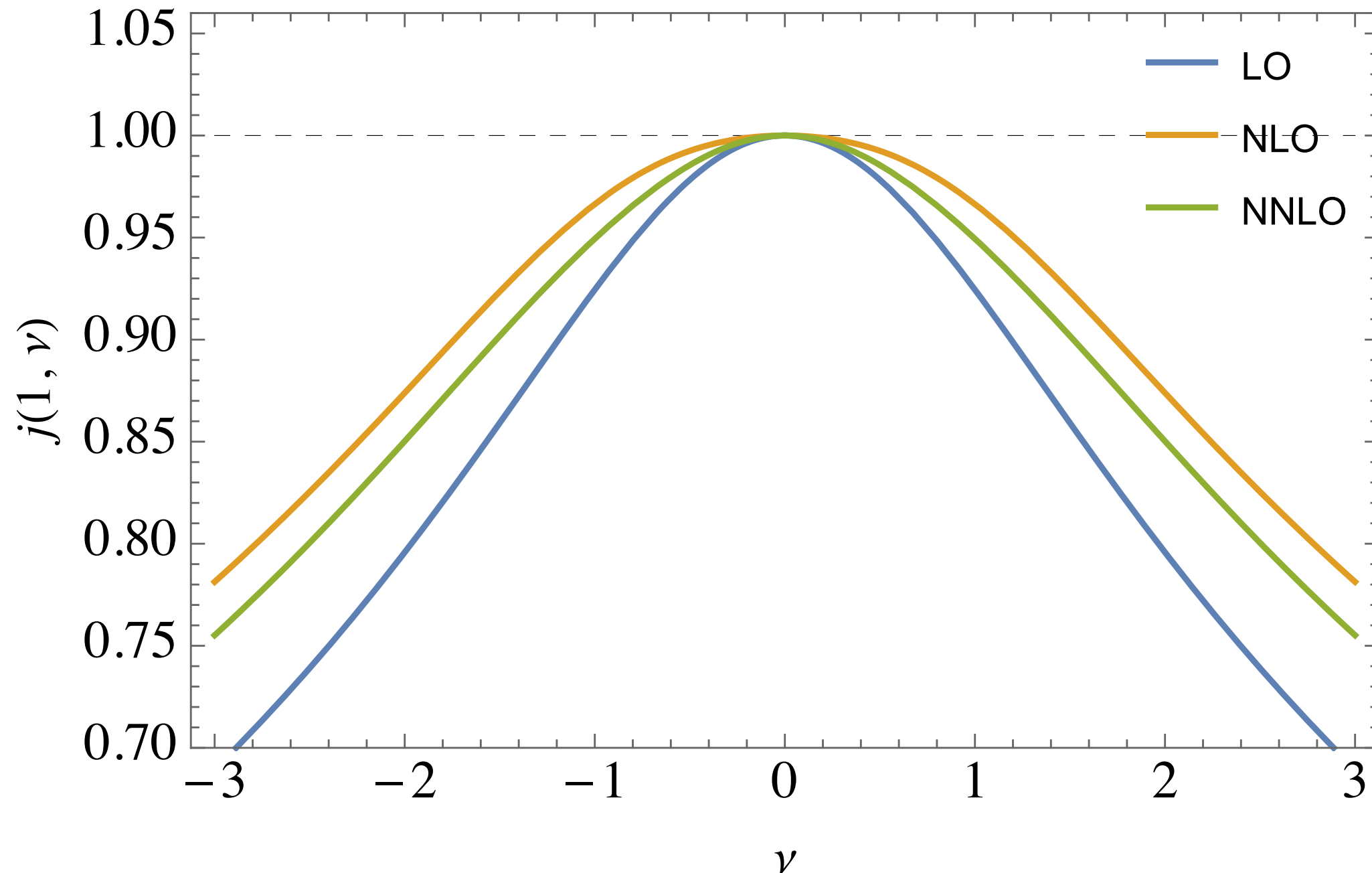


[Kovner, Mulian & Lublinski '14,  
Balitsky & Chirilli '14]

## matter loop contributions to NGLs:

$$\begin{aligned}
K^{(2)N \neq 4} = & \int_{i,j} \int \frac{d\Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{d\Omega_{0'}}{4\pi} \frac{1}{\alpha_{00'}} \left[ \frac{\alpha_{ij} \log \frac{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j}}{\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}}}{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j} - \alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}} \right] (L_i^a R_j^{a'} + R_i^{a'} L_j^a) \\
& \times \left\{ 2n_F \text{Tr}_R [T^a U_0 T^{a'} U_{0'}^\dagger] - 4f^{abc} f^{a'b'c'} U_0^{bb'} U_{0'}^{cc'} - (n_F T_R - 2C_A)(U_0^{aa'} + U_{0'}^{aa'}) \right\} \\
& + \int_{i,j} \int \frac{d\Omega_0}{4\pi} \frac{d\Omega_{0'}}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2\alpha_{00'}^2} \left[ \frac{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j} + \alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}}{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j} - \alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}} \log \frac{\alpha_{0i}\alpha_{0'j}}{\alpha_{0'i}\alpha_{0j}} - 2 \right] (L_i^a R_j^{a'} + R_i^{a'} L_j^a) \\
& \times \left\{ \begin{aligned} & 2(n_S - 2n_F) \text{Tr}_R [T^a U_0 T^{a'} U_{0'}^\dagger] + 2f^{abc} f^{a'b'c'} U_0^{bb'} U_{0'}^{cc'} \\ & - ((n_S - 2n_F) T_R + C_A)(U_0^{aa'} + U_{0'}^{aa'}) \end{aligned} \right\} \\
& + \int_{i,j} 2\pi i b_0 \log(\alpha_{ij}) (L_i^a L_j^a - R_i^a R_j^a). \tag{3.34}
\end{aligned}$$

## $m=1$ (leading Odderon trajectory)



note: Odderon intercept=1 to all orders in  $\lambda$ .  
Agrees with strong coupling!

# On the Odderon intercept

- $m=1, v=0$  is a very special wavefunction:

$$\mathcal{U}_{12} = 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} (z_1 - z_2)$$

- Strings of dipoles in planar limit **telescope**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{U}_{10}\mathcal{U}_{02} &= 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} ((z_1 - \cancel{z_0}) + (\cancel{z_0} - z_2)) + O(1/N_c^2) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{N_c} (z_1 - z_2) = \mathcal{U}_{12}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{U}_{10}\mathcal{U}_{00'2}\mathcal{U}_{0'2} = \mathcal{U}_{12}$$

...

- Cancel in evolution. Thm: Odderon intercept vanishes to all order in  $\lambda$  in planar limit